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1. The work of the concentration plant of Object 96 at Dresden/Gittersee is being constantly interrupted because of construction faults and defective equipment. The frequency of these interruptions is attributed by German employees to the demands of the responsible Russian engineers for undue speed during the original construction. For example, the ball mills fail to function satisfactorily, and there are constant complaints that the ceramic sludge-pipes (Schlammleitungen) break because the walls of the pipes which have been installed are too thin.
2. [redacted] this unsatisfactory state of affairs is the main reason for frequent visits made to the plant by senior Wismut officials from the headquarters in Karl-Marx-Stadt/Siegmars-Schoenau. The chief of Wismut, General Alexey Matveyevich Bogatov, is himself a regular visitor and last toured the plant on 15 April 1954. [redacted] 50X1-HUM
3. Other Russian officials recently seen in the plant are:
 - a. Kolosayev; believed to be a mechanical engineer employed in the Wismut headquarters and to be responsible for supervising mechanical installations at Gittersee. [redacted] 50X1-HUM
 - b. Levedev; Deputy to Kolosayev [redacted]
 - c. Major Golovin; political officer, believed to be stationed in Karl-Marx-Stadt but is a frequent visitor to Gittersee. [redacted]

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d. Senior Lieut. Sharkov: deputy to Golovin [redacted]

e. Akopov: ¹ [redacted] accompanies Bogatov on his visits to the plant [redacted]

f. Shuravin: chief of the Transport Department at Gittersee.

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4. In March 1954, [redacted] the only concentration plant sending ore concentrate to Gittersee for final processing was the other, and older, concentration plant of Object 96 at Freital.

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5. The quantity of the final product obtained in the Gittersee factory is believed [redacted] to be remarkably small. Indeed [redacted]

[redacted] the current average monthly output was as low as 9 tons.

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6. [redacted]

7. It was proposed to amend the working hours in April 1954 so that instead of three shifts of eight hours, four shifts of six will be worked.

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1. [redacted] Comment: [redacted] Akopov is, or at some stage has been, the chief of the Gittersee plant.

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